

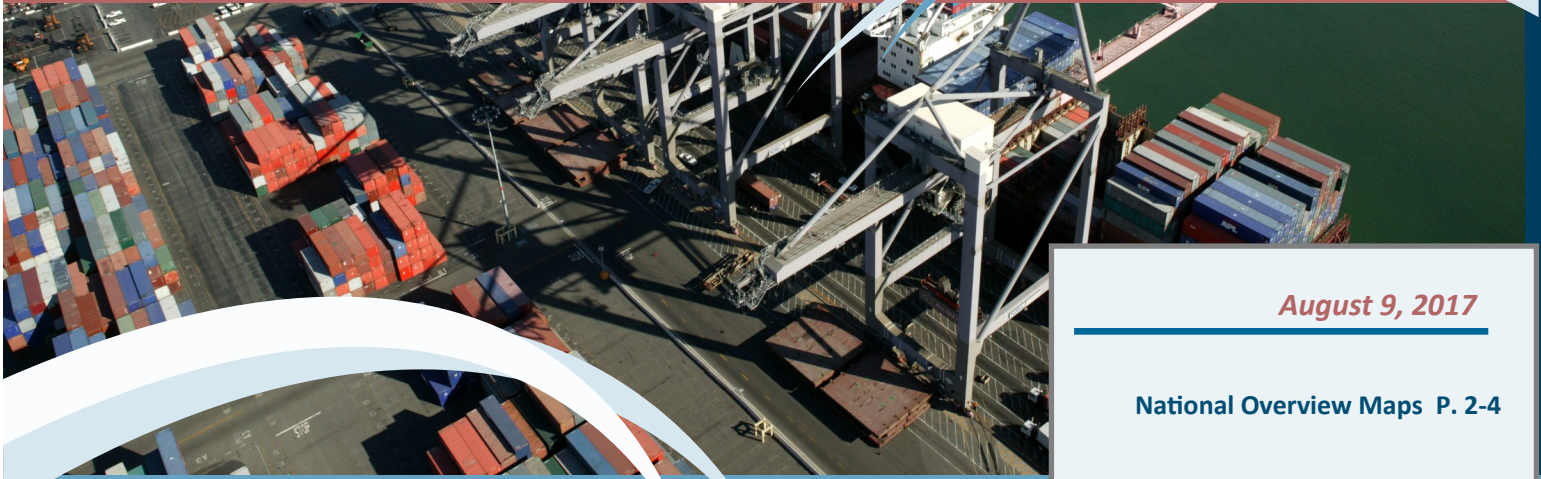


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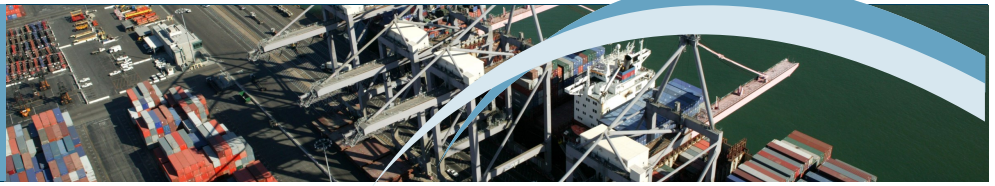
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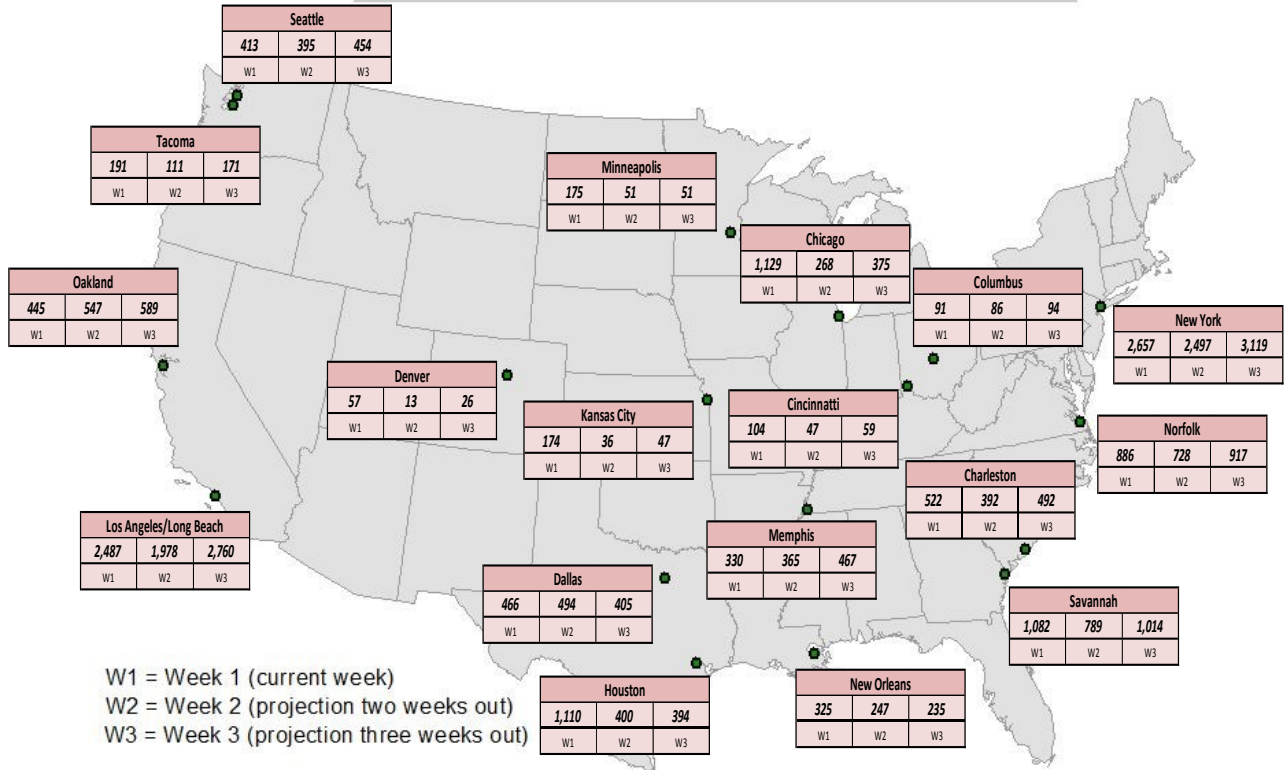
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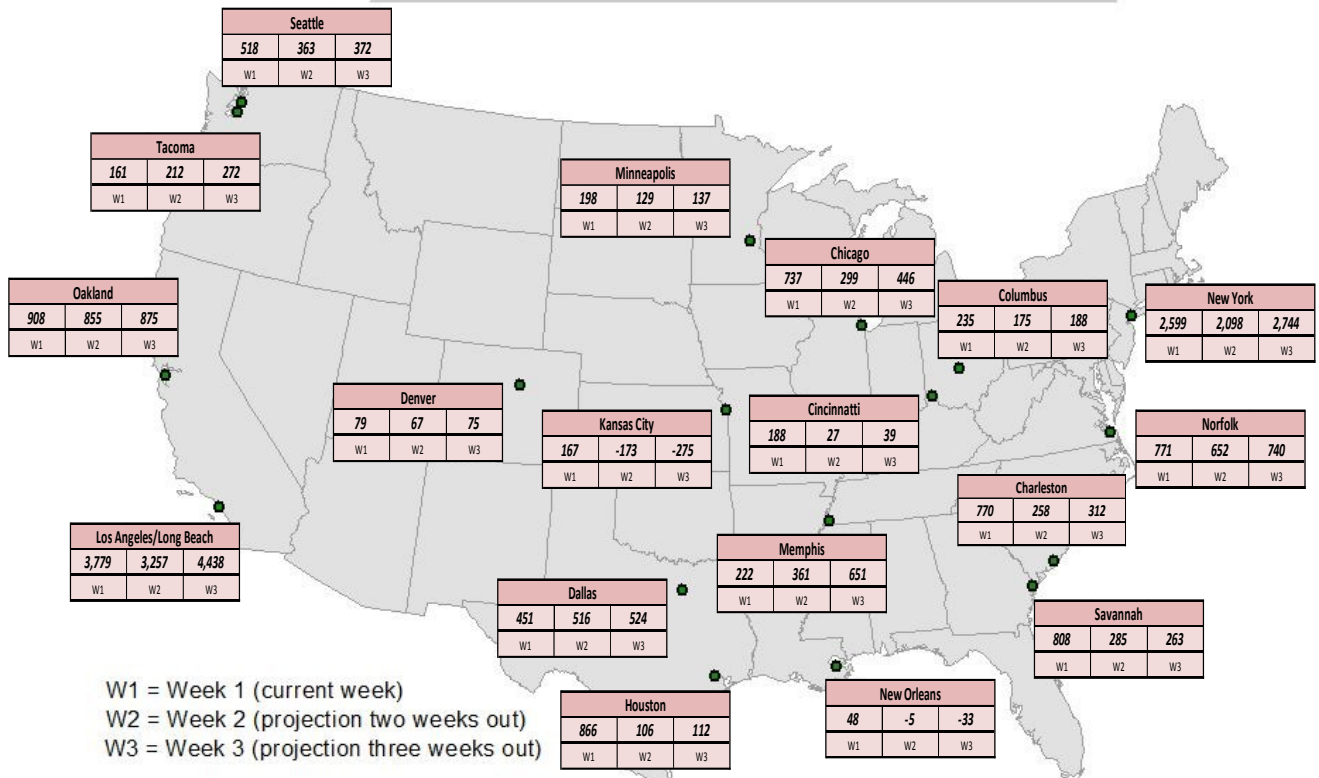
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Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



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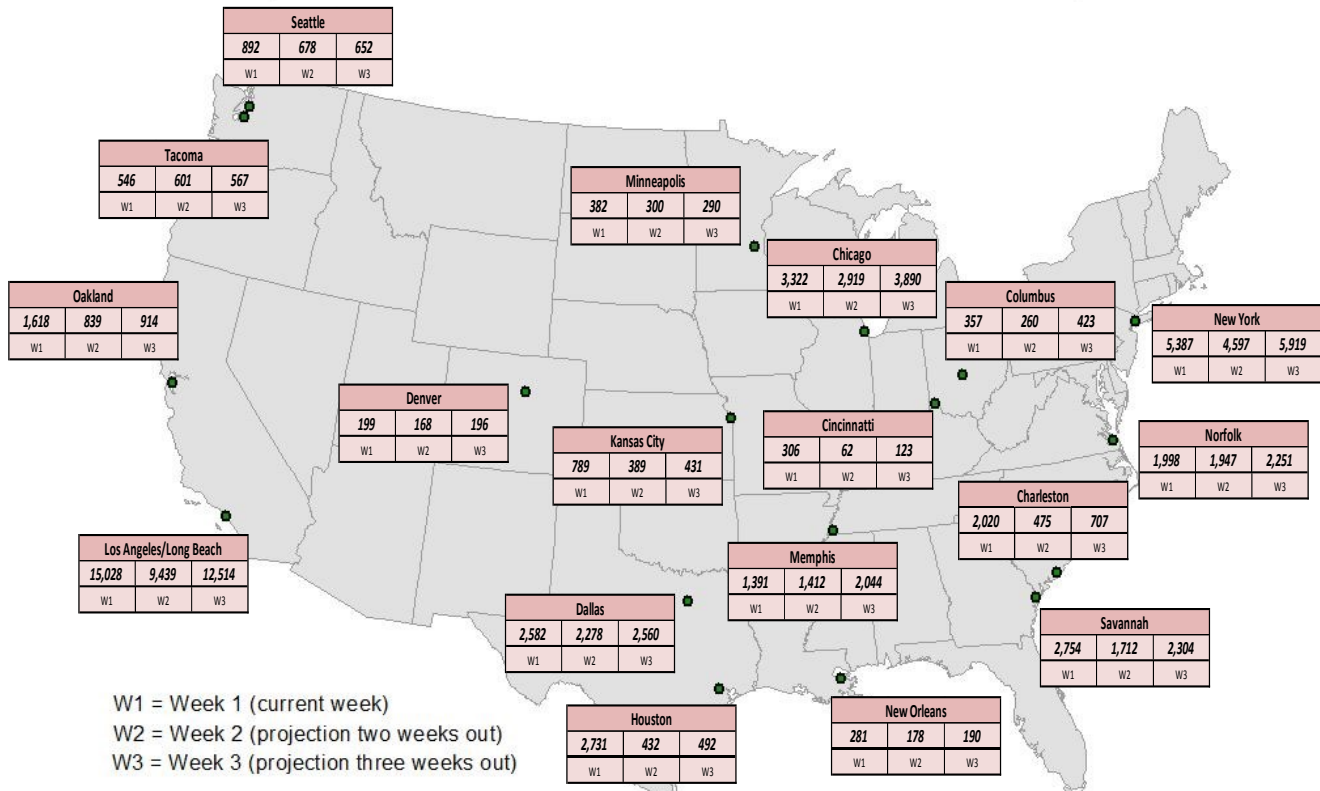


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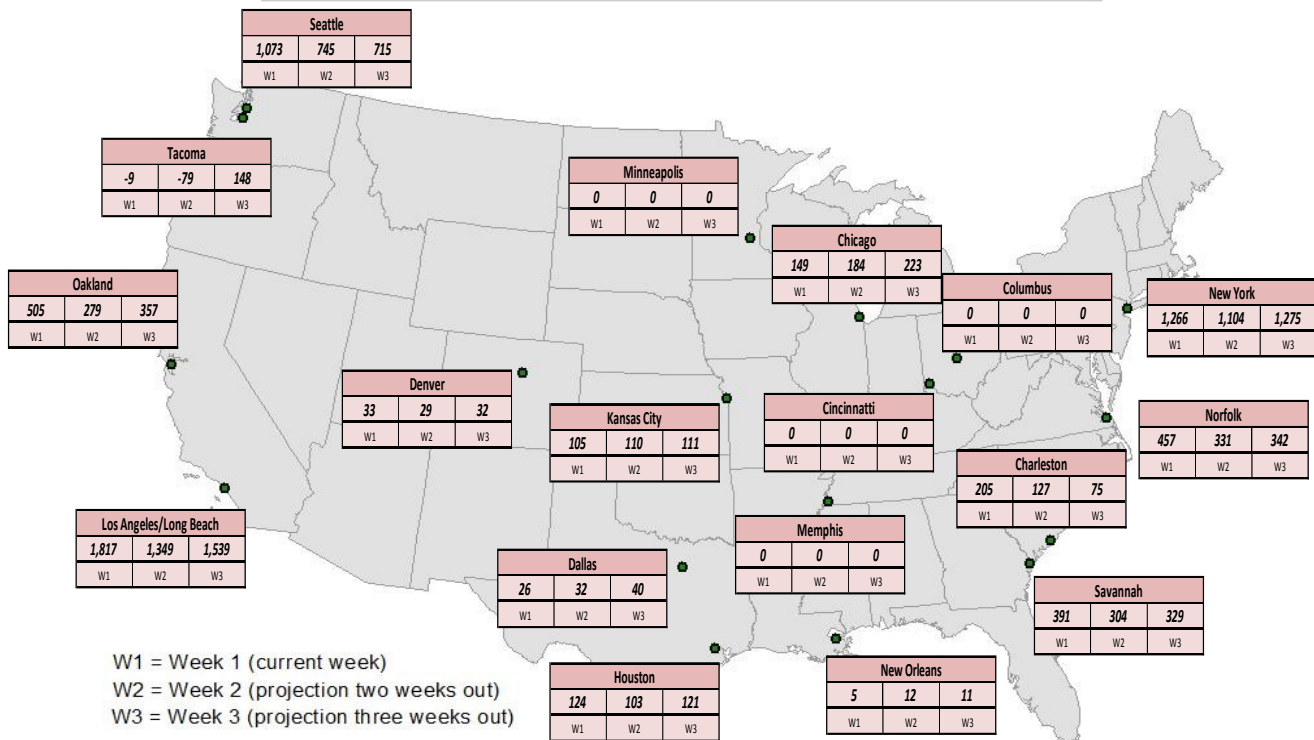
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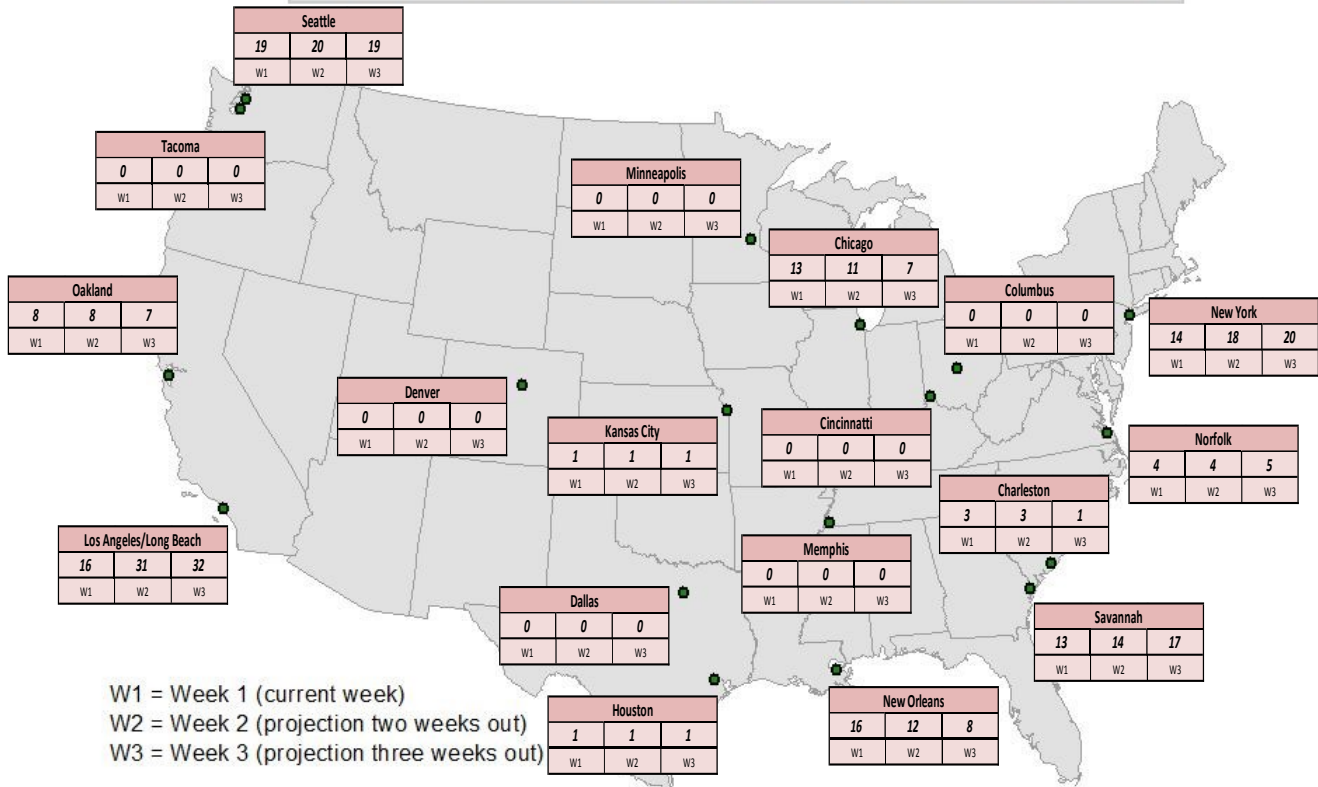


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Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	232	91	83	60	56	522
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	111	131	60	90	392
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	118	166	60	148	492
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	406	124	95	85	60	770
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	106	52	40	60	258
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	89	60	103	60	312
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,386	200	198	176	60	2,020
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	253	162	0	60	475
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	209	187	251	60	707
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	123	49	39	35	-41	205
Week 2: Aug 16-22	106	25	.	25	-29	127
Week 3: Aug 23-29	91	15	.	20	-51	75
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	3	0	0	.	.	3
Week 2: Aug 16-22	3	.	0	.	.	3
Week 3: Aug 23-29	1	.	0	.	.	1

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Chicago						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	883	204	50	6	-14	1,129
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	190	50	37	-9	268
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	252	50	23	50	375
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	466	148	105	20	-2	737
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	67	158	40	34	299
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	171	187	20	68	446
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,505	1,298	482	37	0	3,322
Week 2: Aug 16-22	2,227	.	573	119	0	2,919
Week 3: Aug 23-29	2,871	.	735	264	20	3,890
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	137	12	0	0	.	149
Week 2: Aug 16-22	169	15	0	0	.	184
Week 3: Aug 23-29	213	10	0	0	.	223
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	13	0	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Aug 16-22	11	0	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Aug 23-29	7	0	.	.	.	7

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Cincinnati						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	57	29	17	9	-8	104
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	33	4	1	9	47
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	46	1	-8	20	59
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	172	11	5	0	0	188
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	6	16	5	0	27
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	9	35	-5	0	39
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	274	32	3	-1	-2	306
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	14	3	42	3	62
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	28	0	91	4	123
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0

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Columbus						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	36	25	16	10	4	91
Week 2: Aug 16-22	53	.	15	10	8	86
Week 3: Aug 23-29	66	.	15	15	-2	94
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	125	72	16	12	10	235
Week 2: Aug 16-22	133	.	17	10	15	175
Week 3: Aug 23-29	155	.	23	-2	12	188
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	172	137	39	9	0	357
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	228	37	-5	0	260
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	351	56	1	15	423
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0

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Dallas						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	213	118	108	22	5	466
Week 2: Aug 16-22	291	.	166	25	12	494
Week 3: Aug 23-29	144	.	216	45	0	405
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	210	113	112	11	5	451
Week 2: Aug 16-22	239	141	.	136	0	516
Week 3: Aug 23-29	169	161	.	194	0	524
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,065	740	547	220	10	2,582
Week 2: Aug 16-22	882	.	1,043	328	25	2,278
Week 3: Aug 23-29	698	.	1,453	409	0	2,560
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	26	0	0	.	.	26
Week 2: Aug 16-22	32	0	0	.	.	32
Week 3: Aug 23-29	40	0	0	.	.	40
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0

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Denver						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	43	8	4	2	0	57
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	1	8	4	0	13
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	8	14	4	0	26
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	44	22	12	1	0	79
Week 2: Aug 16-22	48	.	18	1	0	67
Week 3: Aug 23-29	54	.	21	0	0	75
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	118	68	11	2	0	199
Week 2: Aug 16-22	151	.	16	1	0	168
Week 3: Aug 23-29	177	.	19	0	0	196
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	33	0	0	.	.	33
Week 2: Aug 16-22	29	0	0	.	.	29
Week 3: Aug 23-29	32	0	0	.	.	32
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0

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Houston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	710	331	43	26	0	1,110
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	332	45	23	0	400
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	338	70	-14	0	394
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	612	141	85	23	5	866
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	98	24	-16	0	106
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	54	67	-11	2	112
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	2,384	255	58	34	0	2,731
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	290	118	24	0	432
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	363	90	39	0	492
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	79	43	2	0	.	124
Week 2: Aug 16-22	100	.	3	0	.	103
Week 3: Aug 23-29	118	.	3	0	.	121
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1	0	0	.	.	1
Week 2: Aug 16-22	1	.	0	.	.	1
Week 3: Aug 23-29	1	.	0	.	.	1

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Kansas City						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	105	41	30	0	-2	174
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	-4	39	0	1	36
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	6	43	0	-2	47
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	230	10	0	-12	-61	167
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	0	2	-108	-67	-173
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	3	-1	-207	-70	-275
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	510	267	14	0	-2	789
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	360	12	20	-3	389
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	375	39	20	-3	431
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	65	40	0	0	.	105
Week 2: Aug 16-22	70	40	0	0	.	110
Week 3: Aug 23-29	72	39	0	0	.	111
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1	0	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Aug 16-22	1	0	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Aug 23-29	1	0	.	.	.	1

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Los Angeles and Long Beach						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,028	798	697	60	-96	2,487
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	636	733	60	549	1,978
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	913	728	60	1,059	2,760
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,716	1,183	634	186	60	3,779
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	1,777	523	897	60	3,257
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	2,370	531	1,477	60	4,438
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	7,898	3,577	2,970	523	60	15,028
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	4,298	3,006	2,075	60	9,439
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	5,716	3,338	3,400	60	12,514
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	497	402	394	324	200	1,817
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	385	337	440	187	1,349
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	390	370	604	175	1,539
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	16	0	0	.	.	16
Week 2: Aug 16-22	31	.	0	.	.	31
Week 3: Aug 23-29	32	.	0	.	.	32

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Memphis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	214	57	39	20	0	330
Week 2: Aug 16-22	301	.	74	-15	5	365
Week 3: Aug 23-29	367	.	94	1	5	467
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	112	50	48	12	0	222
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	321	73	-33	0	361
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	536	88	-3	30	651
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	677	550	101	63	0	1,391
Week 2: Aug 16-22	1,254	.	128	0	30	1,412
Week 3: Aug 23-29	1,802	.	149	63	30	2,044
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0

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Minneapolis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	110	59	8	0	-2	175
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	80	-13	0	-16	51
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	77	-7	0	-19	51
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	150	25	22	1	0	198
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	80	35	14	0	129
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	109	37	-9	0	137
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	172	110	76	15	9	382
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	144	151	5	0	300
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	177	130	-17	0	290
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	0	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	0	0

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New Orleans						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	232	63	38	0	-8	325
Week 2: Aug 16-22	214	.	40	1	-8	247
Week 3: Aug 23-29	190	.	43	0	2	235
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	26	20	2	0	0	48
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	22	-24	-4	1	-5
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	23	-42	-14	0	-33
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	122	90	72	0	-3	281
Week 2: Aug 16-22	106	.	76	0	-4	178
Week 3: Aug 23-29	109	.	83	2	-4	190
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	5	0	0	.	.	5
Week 2: Aug 16-22	12	0	0	.	.	12
Week 3: Aug 23-29	11	0	0	.	.	11
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	16	0	.	.	.	16
Week 2: Aug 16-22	12	0	.	.	.	12
Week 3: Aug 23-29	8	0	.	.	.	8

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New York						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	991	616	615	375	60	2,657
Week 2: Aug 16-22	1,276	583	.	578	60	2,497
Week 3: Aug 23-29	1,571	657	.	831	60	3,119
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	858	765	647	269	60	2,599
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	1,056	794	188	60	2,098
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	1,384	1,020	280	60	2,744
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,848	1,463	1,293	723	60	5,387
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	2,238	1,582	717	60	4,597
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	2,884	2,110	865	60	5,919
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	405	312	239	181	129	1,266
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	431	393	120	160	1,104
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	514	501	121	139	1,275
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	14	0	0	.	.	14
Week 2: Aug 16-22	18	.	0	.	.	18
Week 3: Aug 23-29	20	.	0	.	.	20

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Norfolk						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	330	246	153	97	60	886
Week 2: Aug 16-22	436	.	153	79	60	728
Week 3: Aug 23-29	475	.	267	115	60	917
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	401	216	119	60	-25	771
Week 2: Aug 16-22	505	.	69	60	18	652
Week 3: Aug 23-29	514	.	144	60	22	740
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,114	418	313	93	60	1,998
Week 2: Aug 16-22	1,484	.	268	135	60	1,947
Week 3: Aug 23-29	1,687	.	416	88	60	2,251
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	250	120	67	30	-10	457
Week 2: Aug 16-22	246	68	.	25	-8	331
Week 3: Aug 23-29	256	61	.	23	2	342
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	4	0	0	.	.	4
Week 2: Aug 16-22	4	.	0	.	.	4
Week 3: Aug 23-29	5	.	0	.	.	5

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Oakland						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	129	97	97	62	60	445
Week 2: Aug 16-22	254	131	.	102	60	547
Week 3: Aug 23-29	216	179	.	134	60	589
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	292	259	161	136	60	908
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	335	276	184	60	855
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	371	350	94	60	875
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	786	300	270	202	60	1,618
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	311	244	224	60	839
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	324	360	170	60	914
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	260	220	67	26	-68	505
Week 2: Aug 16-22	188	269	.	-58	-120	279
Week 3: Aug 23-29	325	265	.	-107	-126	357
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	8	0	0	.	.	8
Week 2: Aug 16-22	8	.	0	.	.	8
Week 3: Aug 23-29	7	.	0	.	.	7

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Note : Reefer container availability data for Mitsui OSK Line available through San Francisco instead of Oakland.



Savannah						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	449	263	167	143	60	1,082
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	298	279	152	60	789
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	445	345	164	60	1,014
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	436	334	60	0	-22	808
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	301	60	-17	-59	285
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	270	60	67	-134	263
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	1,236	703	672	83	60	2,754
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	681	943	28	60	1,712
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	1,014	1,037	193	60	2,304
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	202	92	57	53	-13	391
Week 2: Aug 16-22	209	65	37	.	-7	304
Week 3: Aug 23-29	223	63	55	.	-12	329
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	13	0	0	.	.	13
Week 2: Aug 16-22	14	.	0	.	.	14
Week 3: Aug 23-29	17	.	0	.	.	17

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Seattle						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	261	77	60	23	-8	413
Week 2: Aug 16-22	308	.	60	29	-2	395
Week 3: Aug 23-29	354	.	60	35	5	454
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	258	140	60	57	3	518
Week 2: Aug 16-22	238	.	60	65	0	363
Week 3: Aug 23-29	252	.	60	75	-15	372
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	684	174	60	-9	-17	892
Week 2: Aug 16-22	710	.	60	28	-120	678
Week 3: Aug 23-29	764	.	60	45	-217	652
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	667	275	65	60	6	1,073
Week 2: Aug 16-22	629	.	31	87	-2	745
Week 3: Aug 23-29	655	.	15	45	0	715
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	19	0	0	.	.	19
Week 2: Aug 16-22	20	.	0	.	.	20
Week 3: Aug 23-29	19	.	0	.	.	19

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Tacoma						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	177	50	31	-67	.	191
Week 2: Aug 16-22	165	32	.	-86	.	111
Week 3: Aug 23-29	175	50	.	-54	.	171
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	151	25	17	-32	.	161
Week 2: Aug 16-22	214	25	.	-27	.	212
Week 3: Aug 23-29	275	32	.	-35	.	272
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	485	79	43	-61	.	546
Week 2: Aug 16-22	448	80	.	73	.	601
Week 3: Aug 23-29	490	82	.	-5	.	567
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	212	65	17	-303	.	-9
Week 2: Aug 16-22	242	12	.	-333	.	-79
Week 3: Aug 23-29	307	120	.	-279	.	148
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 9-15	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Aug 16-22	.	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Aug 23-29	.	0	.	.	.	0

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Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 5 ocean carriers including COSCO Shipping, Evergreen, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, OOCL, and Mitsui OSK Line.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 2–4 offer a national overview of weekly container availability. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:
 - 20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.
 - 40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.
 - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
 - 20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.
 - Chassis: A wheeled frame to which a shipping container can be locked for storage or movement. (Plural chassis)



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